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Sir:

This is a request for filing a

[] Continuation

[X] Divisional

application of pending prior application Serial No. 10/020,573 filed October 31, 2001

for [Title]:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

by [Inventors]: Takashi KOBAYASHI of Nagano, JAPAN;

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- 1. [x] A copy of the prior application is attached including Declaration.
- 2. [x] Cancel in this application original claims 1 33 and 114 115 of prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
- 3. [x] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 --This is a [] Continuation [x] Division of application Serial No. 10/020,573 filed
 October 31, 2001--

- 4. [x] New [x] Formal [] Informal drawings are enclosed: Fig(s) 1-43.
- 5. [x] Priority of foreign application(s) No.: 2000-331840 filed October 31, 2000 in JAPAN; 2000-355741 filed November 22, 2000 in JAPAN; 2000-361106 filed November 28, 2000 in JAPAN; 2001-119221 filed April 18, 2001 in JAPAN is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- 6. [x] Certified copies were filed in prior application No. <u>10/020,573</u>.
- 7. [x] The prior application is assigned of record to <u>Fuji Electric Co., Ltd.</u>, the assigned was recorded at Reel <u>012706</u>, Frame <u>0947</u>.
- 8. [] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.
- 9. [] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
- 10. [x] It is requested that the prior art made of record in the prior application 10/020,573 be cited and made of record in the present application.
- 11. [] Small entity status was established in the parent application.
- 12. [x] Fees calculated based on claims filed in prior application, less any claims canceled above or by preliminary amendment.

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- 13. [] THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THE ABOVE FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ _____ AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 18-2056.
- 14. [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 18-2056: any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17; and any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
- 15. [x] A power of attorney was filed in the prior application to Marc A. Rossi, Registration No. 31,923:
 - [x] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 - [] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
 - [x] c. Address all future communications to

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